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The Restriction Requirement is presented on pages 6 and 7 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.